

Abstract

In a method for leak testing of electrochemical elements which have a thin flexible housing that is composed of a metal sheet or a metal/plastic composite sheet, after assembly and if necessary after formation in a closed container, the electrochemical element is subjected to an increased pressure and then to a reduced pressure, and any change in thickness that occurs is measured. Alternatively, after assembly, formation and storage in a closed container, the electrochemical element is subjected to a reduced pressure, and any change in thickness that occurs is measured.